



Lamoine Board of Selectmen

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Order Establishing Education Planning Committee June 20, 2013

Whereas the Town of Lamoine has voted to begin the process of withdrawal from Regional School Unit 24; and

Whereas the process required negotiation of a withdrawal agreement between the Town of Lamoine and RSU 24; and

Whereas said agreement has been approved by the Lamoine Withdrawal Committee, RSU 24 and the Commissioner of Education of the State of Maine; and

Whereas the Town of Lamoine is desirous of developing information to provide to its citizens in advance of a final vote on said agreement on November 5, 2013; therefore

The Lamoine Board of Selectmen hereby establishes a new, temporary, committee to be called the Education Planning Committee. This committee would start to function immediately upon appointment and administration of oath of office and continue to function until at least the vote of November 5, 2013.

The committee shall consist of at least 5 and no more than 7 members to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

The committee's function shall include (but not limited to):

- Gather and summarize information regarding the educational services, including secondary education and school administration that should be provided by and for the citizens of the Town of Lamoine.
- Gather and summarize information about what entities should provide those educational services.
- Gather and summarize information regarding the total estimated cost of running the proposed Lamoine School Department.
- Prepare a report for the Board of Selectmen at least 30-days in advance of a required public hearing prior to the November 5, 2013 in a format that can be distributed to the voters of Lamoine in order to assist the voters with understanding the educational choices for the town.
- Suggest a date and location for the public hearing referenced above in accordance with state statutes.

The committee shall cease its functions and be disbanded should the vote to approve the withdrawal agreement fail on November 5, 2013

The Education Planning Committee is authorized to utilize the remainder of the unexpended funds from the RSU 24 Withdrawal Budget – said budget to be monitored by the Treasurer of Lamoine. Any costs incurred shall be approved by the committee

and forwarded to the Treasurer of Lamoine for payment. Should legal or consulting services be needed, the committee shall consult with the Board of Selectmen prior to contacting an attorney or consultant. Committee members are not to be compensated, but expenses such as travel may be reimbursed as per town policy and upon proper documentation and committee approval.

The Education Planning Committee is advised to utilize information gathered by the RSU 24 Withdrawal Committee in its tasks, and to utilize town staff as available in regard to scheduling meeting times and locations, public posting of meeting notices and centralized storage of meeting minutes.

Ordered this 20th day of June, 2013 by:

Cynthia Donaldson

S. Josephine Cooper

Gary McFarland

Bernard Johnson

Nathan Mason

The Lamoine Board of Selectmen